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SUBJECT: BDG ADHERENCE TO SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS  
AND AMENDING PROTOCOL

REF: DACCA 606

1. EMBOFF CALLED NOVEMBER 28 ON RIAZ RAHMAN, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS, MFA, AND INQUIRED INTER ALIA ABOUT PRESENT STATUS BDG CONSIDERATION OF SUBJECT CONVENTION AND PROTOCOL. EMBOFF REVIEWED HISTORY OF HIS APPROACHES TO MFA ON THIS MATTER, RECALLED THAT EXACTLY ONE YEAR EARLIER HE HAD LEFT AIDE-MEMOIRE ON SUBJECT WITH MFA, AND NOTED THAT LATEST COMMENT WE HAD HAD THEREON FROM MFA WAS LAST AUGUST WHEN WE WERE TOLD THAT THE MFA WAS STILL WAITING FOR RULING FROM LAW MINISTRY.

2. RAHMAN COMMENTED THAT AS FAR AS HE KNEW, BANGLADESH HAS NO NARCOTIC DRUG PROBLEM TO SPEAK OF. HE ADDED THAT SINGLE CONVENTION AND PROTOCOL WERE AMONG "101" INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS ON WHICH ACTION IS PENDING. RAHMAN PREDICTED THAT BDG WOULD SOON TAKE FAVORABLE ACTION ON MOST THESE AGREEMENTS, INCLUDINGDSUBJECT AGREEMENTS. HE EXPLAINED THAT, IN MOST INSTANCES, IT IS ONLY MFA WHICH TAKES ANY ACTIVE INTEREST IN SUBJECT MATTER OF PENDING AGREEMENTS. HE PROMISED, IN ANY CASE, TO CHECK INTO PRESENT  
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STATUS OF BDG CONSIDERATION OF SUBJECT AND TO INFORM EMBASSY

THEREON.

3. COMMENT: WE REMAIN SOMEWHAT SKEPTICAL THAT PROMPT BDG ACTION  
ON CONVENTION AND PROTOCOL FORTHCOMING BUT WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR  
SITUATION AND PROD GOVERNMENT AS OCCASION WARRANTS. BELIEVE BDG

FAILURE TO SIGN SUBJECT AGREEMENTS IS LESS A FUNCTION OF SUBJECT  
MATTER THAN IT IS PROCRASTINATION IN SIGNING A HOST OF OTHER  
INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS. TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, INTERNATIONAL  
CONVENTIONS WHICH BDG HAS THUS FAR SIGNED RELATE CHIEFLY TO  
GENEVA CONVENTIONS ON POW'S AND TO MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL  
ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS GATT, ICAO, WHO, IMF.  
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